CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. ISLAND MARKET REPORT.

[From the Circular of A. McNeill]

FREIGHTS.—To Halifax: Oats 5c to 7c; Potatoes 7c to 8c; Oatmeal 40c; Butter, per 100 lbs, 30c, Fish per bbl, 50c, Pork per bbl, 50c, Oysters per bbl, 60c. To Boston. Oats 12c cy, Oatmeal 60c cy, Butter $1 cy, per 100 lbs, Fish $1 cy, per bbl, Oysters per bbl, 75c, Eggs $1 cy, per bbl. To Shediac. 30c per barrel bulk. To Pictou. 20c per bbl bulk From Toronto and Hamilton, *via* Suspension Bridge and Boston, upon Through Bills of Lading, $1 per bbl for Flour Flour from Boston, 40c. Oats to England, 8d to 9d sterling, per 45 lbs.

STEAMERS - Leave Charlottetown for Pictou, Canso, Halifax, and Boston every Monday afternoon, and for Pictou every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday mornings, connecting with Railway for Halifax, and for Shediac on Tuesday and Friday evenings, connecting with Railroad for St John, N B. They leave Boston on Tuesday, and Halifax on Thursday, of each week, for this port. Shediac every Wednesday and Saturday, on arrival of train from St. John, and Pictou every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, on arrival of train from Halifax.

FLOUR.—Although the stocks are small the tendency of prices is downward, a decline being anticipated as the season advances. Demand is limited, and supply continues to be sufficient for present wants. Very little Canadian or American Extra in the market. Duty on American Flour 1s 6d per barrel.

CORNMEAL.—Prices are well maintained, but during the coming week they will probably sympathize with the downward tendency of Flour. Stock small. Duty on American Meal 1s 6d per barrel.

OATMEAL.—Prices nominal, very little being in the market.

MOLASSES.—Stock is ample. Very little enquiry. Duty 4d per gal.

SUGAR.- Stocks are small. Quotations firm. Duty 7s per 112 lbs.

SALT—Scarce. Quotations firm.

FISH.—No receipts yet Reports from the Fishing Stations represent the prospect for Mackerel catch to be good.

LUMBER—Continues in good supply. Good seasoned Pine Boards wanted, which would command outside quotations. Shingles are a drug in the market Good fair specifications of Spruce Deals would probably realize £6 15s per M., deal measure

OATS—Are scarce, and round lots cannot now be secured at quotations.

BARLEY —Round lots cannot be procured, and the same remarks may now be applied to Potatoes Prices in both cases nominal.

WEATHER—Continues fine, though cold, and upon the whole favourable to the growing crops.

MONEY MARKET.

WE have no change to note; money is easy and demand moderate Sterling Exchange is unchanged, but rates are firm at quotations.

The following are the latest quotations of Sterling Exchange, &c.--

Bank on London, 60 days sight ...	110¼
" " sight	111
Private, " 60 days sight........	109 to 109½
Bank in New York, 60 days sight ...	110
Gold Drafts on New York	par
Gold in New York........................	138
Silver	4¼ to 4½ dis

THE GROCERY TRADE.

Baldwin, C. H., & Co. | Anderson, John & Co.
Chapman, Fraser & Tylee. | Kingan & Kinloch.
Chapman H., & Co. | Leeming, Thomas & Co.
Childs, George, & Co. | Mitchell, James.
Converse, Colson & Lamb. | Phelan, Joseph
Davie, Clark, & Clayton. | Robertson & Beattie.
Fitzpatrick & Moore. | Robertson, David.
Fournier Jules | Sinclair, Jack & Co.
Franck, J. C., & Co. | Tiffin, Jos., & Sons.
Gillespie, Moffatt & Co. | Thompson, Murray & Co.
Jeffery, Brothers & Co. | Torrance, David, & Co.
West, Bros.

THE business of the past week has been very limited as regards the regular trade between the city and the country, and the jobbing trade has also been quiet, little doing with the exception of some transactions in sugars and teas.

SUGAR.—The stock of raw sugar in this city in first hands is now almost none. During the week, everything that could be got has been picked up, leaving the market quite bare. We note sales of some 1200 hhds ordinary at $7.80 to $8 37½ according to quality. Good fair Barbadoes and Cuba is now held at $8 50; Choice Porto Rico at $8.75 to $9. Refinery sugars are also scarce and prices advanced

MOLASSES.—Trade in this article is dull, supply in market being very low. A sale is reported of 200 puns. Trinidad at about 37½c.

TEAS—Are generally quiet. There is a fair demand for high priced greens, and we note a sale of a line of some 600 hf chests of that quality at prices which have not been made public. A lot of 200 packages, principally high grade green and another mixed lot of 200 hf chests also changed hands.

In other articles there is little or nothing doing, and we refer to our list of prices for market quotations.

THE HARDWARE TRADE.

Brush George | Gilbert E. E.
Charlebois, A., & Co. | Hall, Kay & Co.
[illegible] | Ireland, W. H.
Currie W. & F. P., & Co | Kershaw & Edwards.
Evans & Evans | Morland, Watson & Co.
[illegible] | Mulholland, & Baker
F[illegible] & Co | Robertson, Jas.
[illegible], F. | Round, John & Sons.
Waddell & Pearce

DEMAND for many articles still continues about equal to supply, and considering the lateness of the season, a large business is being done.

PIG IRON —The supply at present is large, but holders refuse to accede to the demands of buyers, and consequently there are but comparatively few transactions Prices are nominally as given in our list, but for quantities a trifle under would be accepted. Large transactions are making for Chicago at 5 per cent under our quotations, cash

BAR IRON —For this article we reduce our rates 10c, to what appears to be the market price, although it has given way in this respect, the demand is still large, and many sizes are not to be had, especially of rounds.

HOOP AND BAND IRON—Are in large supply Prices are firm at our quotations, but there are very few transactions taking place.

CUT NAILS—Are still scarce, although prices are not altered. Manufacturers find themselves unable to fill orders.

CANADA PLATES—Are just now in large supply, and offers to sell ex ship, for round lots have been made at $3.75 to $4 for best brands.

TIN PLATES -Are very plentiful, and prices nominal

THE LEATHER TRADE.

Hua & Richardson. | Seymour, M. H.
Seymour, C. E. | Shaw F. & Bros.
Smith & Edmiston.

WE have no special change to note since last report, the market continuing quiet, with only moderate sales, as is usual at this season

SPANISH SOLE.—The receipts are not in excess of the demand, both being limited, and sales are effected at recent quotations.

SLAUGHTER SOLE.—The demand is unimportant, and prices are weaker in consequence it would be impossible to move large parcels except at a further reduction.

HARNESS—Has at present a very limited inquiry, and difficulty is experienced in effecting sales, even at slight concessions

WAXED UPPER—Has been in better request, and sales have been made more freely, reducing the stock in first hands to a very low point.

GRAINED UPPER—Is quiet, there having been little or no inquiry the past week.

BUFF AND PEBBLED.—There has been a fair demand, the heaviest sales being of common grades at a reduction in price, while superior is unchanged.

PATENT AND ENAMELLED—Are very quiet, the demand being very slight indeed.

CALFSKINS—Have not been in special request, and no large sales are reported.

SPLITS—Have sold more freely, but prices are hardly as firm

SHEEPSKINS.—Colours are not in large supply, and Russets are not plenty.

HIDES.—There is no change in the market, stocks are light, with on the whole less inquiry.

THE BOOT AND SHOE TRADE.

Ames, Millard & Co. | Linton & Cooper.
Hunter, Duffy & Johnson. | Smith & Cochrane.
Smyth & Edmiston.

STOCKS of heavy goods for the fall trade so far are very light. This result has arisen in great measure from the fact that large buyers, anticipating a considerable advance on present prices, have endeavoured to secure their fall supply at present quotations. Several large contracts have been taken, and partly filled, thereby reducing stocks of heavy grades. There is every probability of an advance taking place, and we understand a few of our manufacturers have already raised their quotations on this class of goods.

MONTREAL PRODUCE MARKET.

Akin & Kirkpatrick. | Laidlaw, Middleton & Co.
Cameron & Ross. | Leeming, Thomas & Co
Converse, Colson & Lamb. | Mitchell, Robt.
Crawford, James. | Raphael, Thomas W.
Hobson, Thomas, & Co | Sinclair, Jack & Co.
Kirkwood, Livingstone & Co | Seymour, C. E.

FLOUR.—We have to note a decided improvement in the general tone of the market within the past two or three days. There has been more outward movement and an improved demand for city consumption, and with restricted receipts prices of the leading grades have improved fully 60c per barrel. In the lighter grades little has been done, and no marked change in value can be reported. Superfine sold at the close at rates ranging from $7.40 to $7.60, the bulk of transactions being at, and in vicinity of $7.50. The supply of strictly good bakers superfine has become scarce, and some holders of such demand $7.75, but thus far have not been met by buyers, though present indications are that this figure or even higher will shortly be reached. In No. 2 and the lower grades there is little movement. there, is however, a fair amount changing hands as compared with the previous stagnation. *Bag Flour*—Is favourably influenced by the general improvement, and now commands a proportionate advance on late nominal rates. *Rye Flour* meets an improved demand, and prices have advanced some 25c from the lowest point reached, closing firm with improving tendency.

It is gratifying to note that thus far scarcely any flour has soured, and as the large proportion of early and winter ground has already passed into consumption, comparatively little remains of questionable condition, so that the fears indulged, of loss in this direction are greatly allayed, and barring the contingency of liberal supplies of wheat from the West, prospects bid fair for good prices, pending the incoming harvest.

OATMEAL.—Little has been done during the week, and rates may be considered mostly nominal.

GRAIN.—*Wheat.*—Nominal rates for U. C. Spring are $1.50 to $1 55, but as arrivals are direct to millers, few, if any sales have taken place. *Peas.*—Receipts have almost entirely ceased, and the parcels in store or afloat have, with few exceptions, been at length shipped. There are one or two enquiries for small lots to complete cargoes, but at this late stage of the season no operations on a large scale would be indulged in, especially in view of the heavy shipments and the late downward turn in Britain, rates are therefore virtually nominal. *Oats*—Are extremely dull, there being no shipping demand, and the stock on hand and arriving being fully adequate to the small consumptive wants.

PORK—Remains unchanged, both in value and demand. prices are, however, weak, and were purchasers of wholesale parcels to come forward, some concession would doubtless be made. At the same time, holders are not pressing, and the business done is of a mere retail character.

LARD—Nominal; sales being insufficient to base quotations on.

HAMS, CUTMEATS, &c.—The inferior quality of a good deal of the late arrivals has caused a wide range of prices, the near approach of the fly season making holders anxious to be quit of doubtful stocks The supply of City Cured Hams is ample, and the local demand freely met at 10½ to 11½c. There has been little or no export enquiry as yet this season.

BUTTER.—The past week has been but a repetition of the stagnation of the past many months, and, judging from present appearances, it will be some time before any change can be reported. The make is likely to be considerable this season, as the weather has been latterly very favorable for grass, and with such advantages as this country now possesses, it is to be hoped that the quality manufactured during the present season will be such as to raise the name of Canadian Butter, and to enable it to more successfully compete in the markets of the world with its hitherto more esteemed rivals. The importance of the subject induces us to refer again and again to it. It is a national disgrace, as well as a heavy national loss, that our Butters should rank so much lower in estimation and value than those of almost any other country in the world. Reasonable care and skill, with a purpose to mend the present state of things, would change the whole trade and materially add to the profit of all concerned.

ASHES.—*Pots* have slightly advanced during the week, and close quiet and firm at quotations. *Pearls* weak and lower with few buyers.

MONTREAL CATTLE MARKET.

Extra quality Cattle....................	$0.00	to	$00 00
First quality of Cattle....................	8.50	to	00.00
Second and third quality	7 50	to	7.00
Milch Cows...	20 00	to	25 00
Extra	35 00	to	40.00
Sheep	6 00	to	6.00
Extra	8.00	to	9.00
Lambs	2 50	to	3 50
Hogs, live weight	0.05	to	0.06
Hides, inspected, per lb.	0.03½	to	0.00
Pelts, each, ...	0.35	to	0.40
Tallow, per lb	0 00	to	0.06